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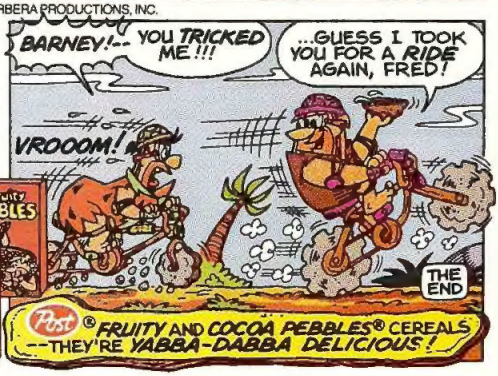

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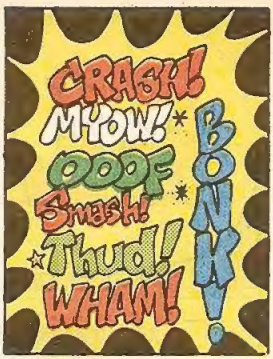
UHH...SO DO I! WHERE ARE THE BRAKES ON THESE THINGS?
SQUID
ZING!
ZOOM!

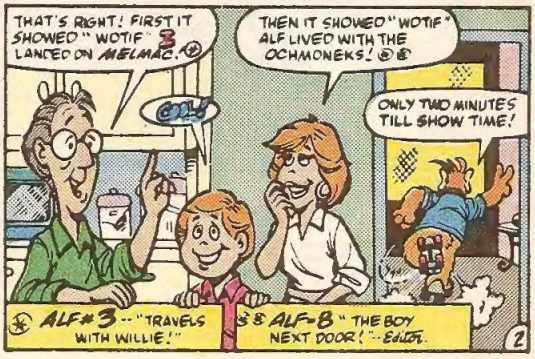

CRASH!
MYOW!
OOOF
SMASH!
THUD!
WHAM!
BONK!

WHAT WAS THAT? IS EVERYBODY ALL RIGHT?
OH... I'VE JUST BEEN AMBUSHED... BY "THE A TEAM" AGAIN!
HOW ABOUT RETITLING THE SHOW "KATE AND ALFIE"?
HA!

UP YOU GO, YOU POOR DEAR...
OHHH, WILLIE... I CAN'T SEE US LIVING LIKE THIS THIRTY YEARS FROM NOW!
SURE YOU CAN!
?

YOU WANT TO PREVIEW YOUR GOLDEN YEARS? I'LL PROGRAM MY WOTIF SIMULATOR!
WHAT?
SQUID!

NOT "WHAT"-- WOTIF! MY SHIP'S COMPUTER CAN TAKE A SET OF CIRCUMSTANCES AND PROJECT A "MOVIE" OF HOW THINGS MIGHT TURN OUT. JUST ASK THE FOLKS!


THAT'S RIGHT! FIRST IT SHOWED "WOTIF" 3 LANDED ON MELMAC.
THEN IT SHOWED "WOTIF" ALF LIVED WITH THE OCHMONEKS!
ONLY TWO MINUTES TILL SHOW TIME!
ALF #3 -- "TRAVELS WITH WILLIE!"
ALF #8 "THE BOY NEXT DOOR!" -Editor.
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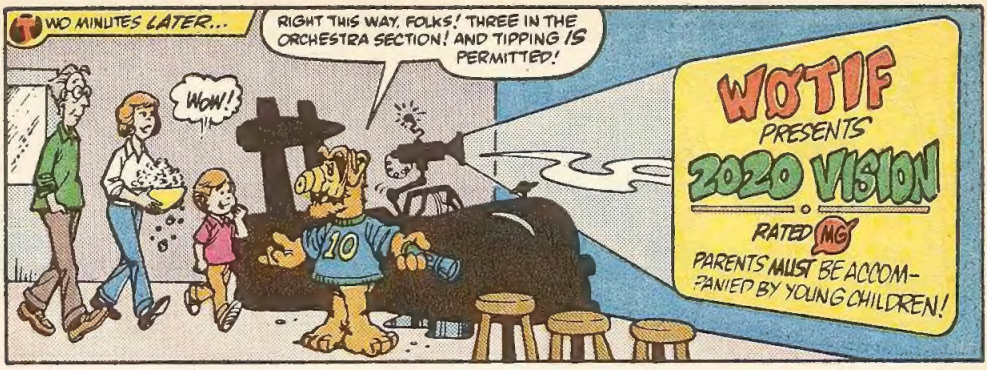
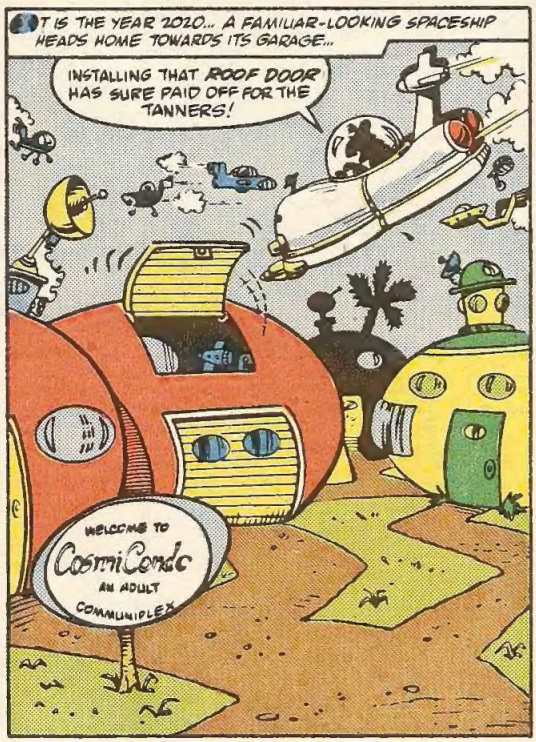
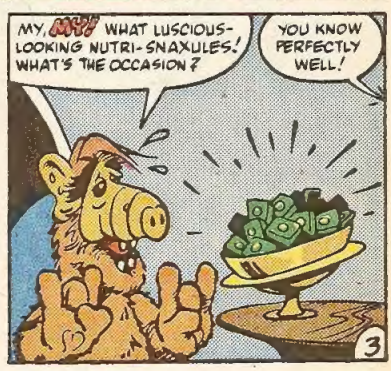




* ALF'S OLD GIRLFRIEND, RHONDA, LIVES ON NEW MELMAC (SEE ALF ANNUAL #1). ALF IS SCHEDULED TO TAKE HIS FIRST TRIP THERE IN ALF ANNUAL #2 -- EDITOR



ME? MOI? ?...
C'MON, NOW, ALF! YOU'VE BEEN WITH US FOR OVER 30 YEARS! I KNOW ALL YOUR TRICKS!
TONIGHT'S THE BIG TANNER FAMILY REUNION! EVERYONE'S COMING!

NOT EVERYONE! THAT'S WHY I CAME BACK FROM NEW MELMAC EARLY! I WANT TO BE ALLOWED TO ATTEND!
NO!

CURSES! ALUMINUM FOILED AGAIN!
ALF, YOU KNOW WHY!
MUST WE SAY HIS NAME?

OH, BROTHER! NOT THE "WOODY" STORY AGAIN!
YES WOODY! LYNN'S FIRST FIANCÉ! 1996? YOU THOUGHT HE COULD HANDLE MEETING YOU...?
SLAP ME FOUR, WOOD-MAN!
YAA!

IT TOOK EVERY LAST DROP OF MY "MILK OF AMNESIA" TO MAKE HIM FORGET! A VINTAGE YEAR, I MIGHT ADD!
WHO...? WHAT...? GOODBYE!

AND WE VOWED THEN TO KEEP YOU A SECRET FROM ALL SPOUSES AND GRANDCHILDREN!
IT HASN'T BEEN EASY, EITHER!
WELL, WAIT TILL YOU SEE WHAT MY PAL, SKIP, RIGGED UP!

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My friends all thought that I was _____ (FEELING), but I got to _____ (PLACE) before it was time to _____ (ACTION).

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ALF...
NO, REALLY! SKIP'S A REAL HANDY GUY! YOU SHOULD SEE IT WHEN HE SOUPS-UP A CAR-- WITH VEGE-TABLE SOUP!
HA!

BUT I DIGRESS... CHECK THIS BAD BOY OUT...
The HOLO-HUMANIZER!
Clique!

A FLIP OF THE SWITCH AND GORDON SHUMWAY, MELMACIAN, GIVES WAY TO UNCLE GORDON--
EARTHLING!
WHAT TH--?
EEEEK!
Bzzzz
zzzzz
SNIKT

EASY, KATYDID! IT'S JUST AN OPAQUE HOLOGRAPHIC IMAGE WRAPPED AROUND ME! PRETTY RAD, YESNO?
Amazing!
Creepy!

CREEPY? NOT DEAR OLD UNCLE GORDON--WHO'D JUST LOVE TO COME TO THE REUNION!
WOTTAYASAY?
I SAY TURN THAT THING OFF AND WE'LL SEE...
Astonishing!

YOUR COMMAND IS MY WISH!
Incredible!
IT TRULY IS... BUT I JUST DON'T KNOW...

AW, C'MON! I WANT TO SEE LYNN'S KIDS CLOSE-UP! AND MEET BRIAN'S NEW WIFE! Please!?
WELL, IF LYNN AND BRI AGREE TO IT...
OKAY, YOU OLD SOFTY! I'LL SET AN EXTRA PLACE FOR UNCLE GORDON!
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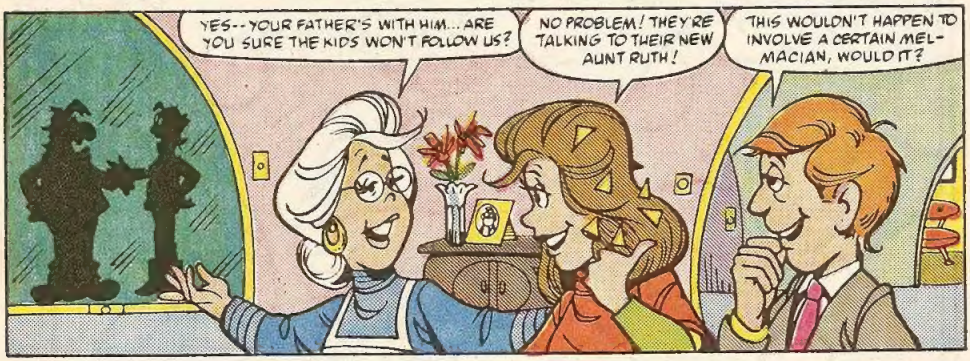
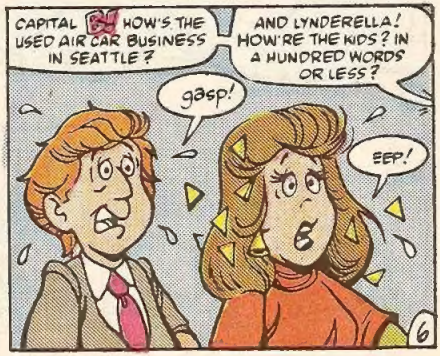
AND SO, LATER IN THE EVENING...
OKAY, MOM-- BRIAN'S HERE! NOW TELL ME WHAT THE BIG SECRET IS!
UNCLE BRIAN!
HIYA, DOTTIE!
H'LO!
DON'T BE SO IMPATIENT, LYNN!

HI, SIS! WHAT'S NEW?
MOM'S GOT A BIG SURPRISE FOR YOU AND ME!
LYNN, LET HIM SAY HELLO TO HIS MOTHER!

HELLO, MA! WHAT'S THE SURPRISE?
OH, YOU TWO! ALL RIGHT THEN! HE'S OUT IN THE GARAGE!
HE?

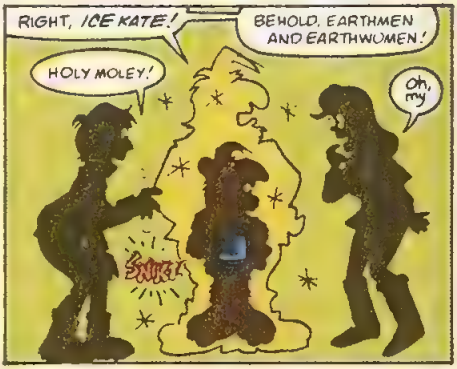

YES-- YOUR FATHER'S WITH HIM... ARE YOU SURE THE KIDS WON'T FOLLOW US?
NO PROBLEM! THEY'RE TALKING TO THEIR NEW AUNT RUTH!
THIS WOULDN'T HAPPEN TO INVOLVE A CERTAIN MEL-MACIAN, WOULD IT?

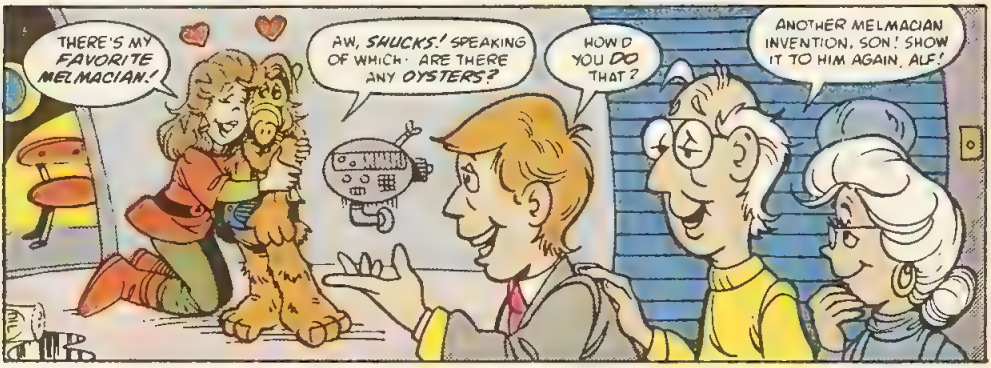
SEE FOR YOURSELF, BRI... YOO HOO! IT'S US!!
ENTREZ-VOUS!
OUI, OUI, HERMAN!

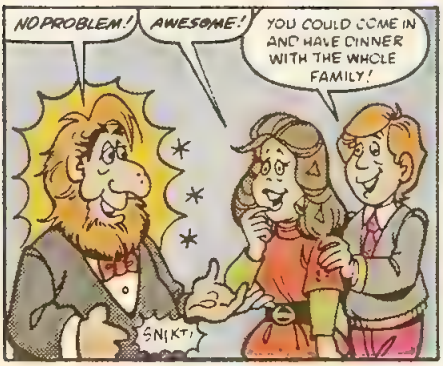

CAPITAL! HOW'S THE USED AIR CAR BUSINESS IN SEATTLE?
AND LYNDERELLA! HOW'RE THE KIDS? IN A HUNDRED WORDS OR LESS?
gasp!
EEP!
6

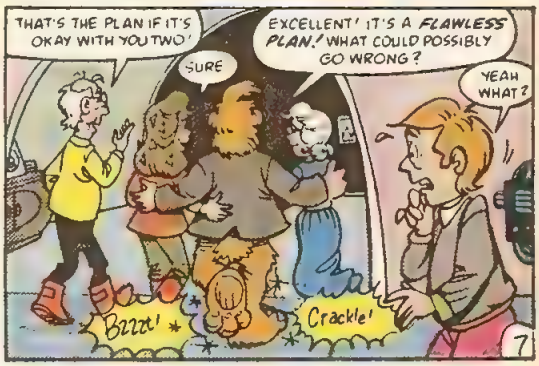
ALF?..IS THAT..?
YEOW!
IS THAT YOU?
TECHNICALLY SPEAKING BUT CALL ME UNCLE GORDON! GOOD TO SEE YOU, LYNN-A-MINT!
BZZT
Snorb!
?

BEWITCHED? BOTHERED? BEWILDERED?
SKIP THE "PAL JOEY" REVIVAL, ALF!


RIGHT, ICE KATE!
BEHOLD, EARTHMEN AND EARTHWOMEN!
HOLY MOLEY!
Oh, my!
SNIK!


THERE'S MY FAVORITE MELMACIAN!
AW, SHUCKS! SPEAKING OF WHICH - ARE THERE ANY OYSTERS?
HOW D YOU DO THAT?
ANOTHER MELMACIAN INVENTION, SON! SHOW IT TO HIM AGAIN, ALF!


NO PROBLEM!
AWESOME!
YOU COULD COME IN AND HAVE DINNER WITH THE WHOLE FAMILY!
SNIKT!


THAT'S THE PLAN IF IT'S OKAY WITH YOU TWO!
SURE
EXCELLENT! IT'S A FLAWLESS PLAN! WHAT COULD POSSIBLY GO WRONG?
YEAH WHAT?
Bzzt!
Crackle!
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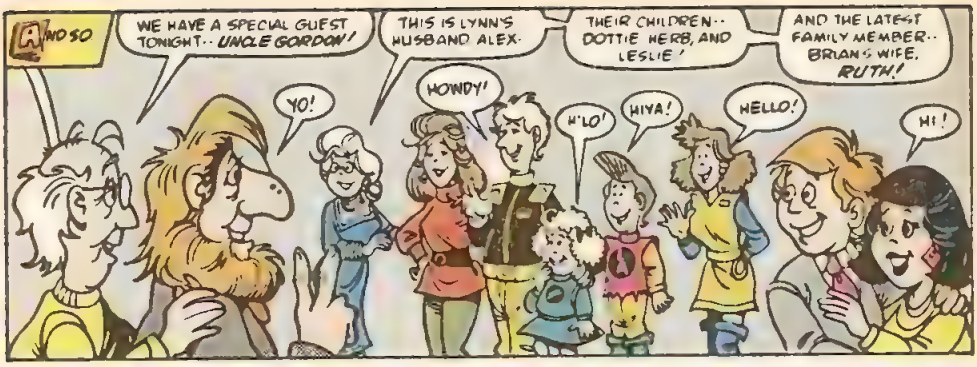
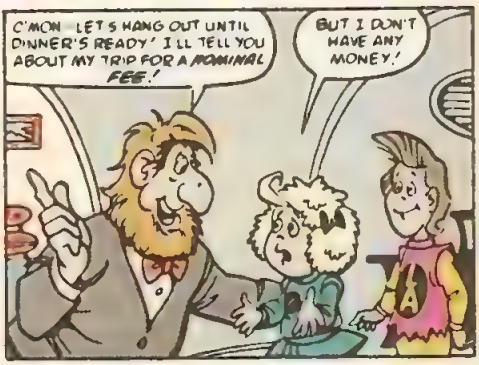
Help the rabbit read the writing on the wall!

(CIRCLE THE UNDERLINED WORDS.)

Trix are so sweet and fruity and colorful—orangy orange, raspberry red, lemony yellow and grapity purple...it's no wonder Trix are for kids!

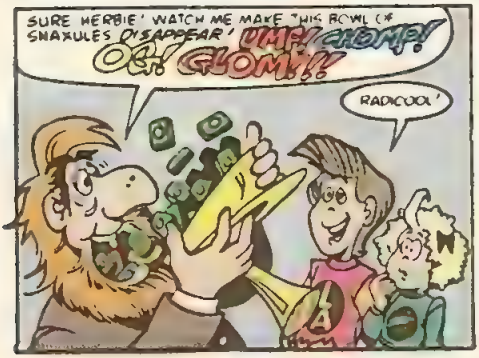

AND SO
WE HAVE A SPECIAL GUEST TONIGHT.. UNCLE GORDON!
YO!
THIS IS LYNN'S HUSBAND ALEX.
HOWDY!
THEIR CHILDREN.. DOTTIE HERB, AND LESLIE!
H'LO!
HIYA!
AND THE LATEST FAMILY MEMBER.. BRIAN'S WIFE, RUTH!
HELLO!
HI!

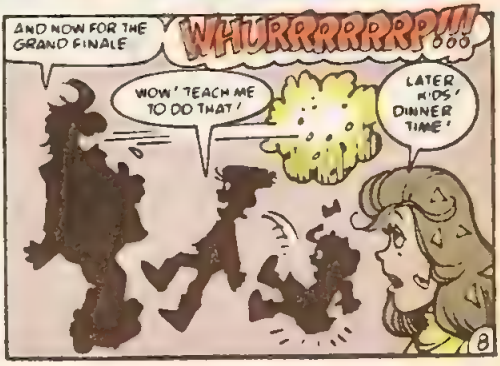
HI, UNCLE GORDON! DID YOU FLY HERE FROM FAR AWAY?
YOU MIGHT SAY THAT, DOTTIE.. IN FACT, YOU JUST DID! HA!


C'MON.. LET'S HANG OUT UNTIL DINNER'S READY! I'LL TELL YOU ABOUT MY TRIP FOR A NOMINAL FEE!
BUT I DON'T HAVE ANY MONEY!

YOU DON'T! WELL, WHAT'S THIS BEHIND YOUR EAR?
WOW.. MAGIC!

THAT'S A SOLID TIN 20 WERNICK PIECE, KID! DON'T SPEND IT ALL ON ONE PLANET!
PWEW!
GEE THANKS!
CAN YOU DO ANY OTHER TRICKS?


SURE HERBIE! WATCH ME MAKE THIS BOWL OF SNAXULES DISAPPEAR!
UMP! CHOMP! GLOM!!!
RADICOOL!


AND NOW FOR THE GRAND FINALE
WHURRRRRRRP!!!
WOW! TEACH ME TO DO THAT!
LATER KIDS! DINNER TIME!

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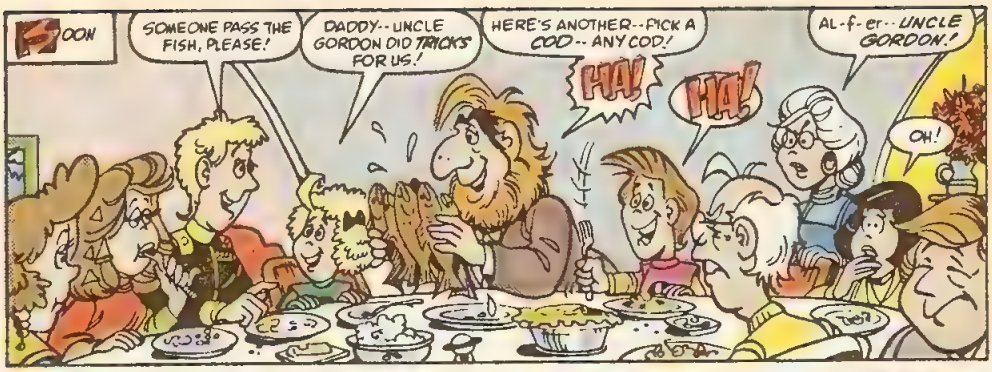
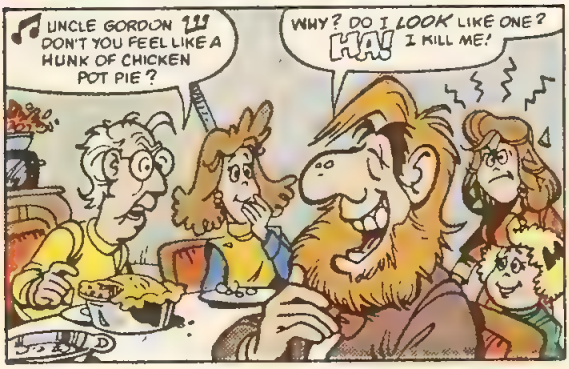
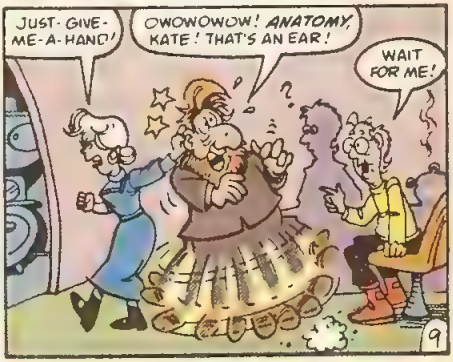

OON
SOMEONE PASS THE FISH, PLEASE!
DADDY--UNCLE GORDON DID TRICKS FOR US!
HERE'S ANOTHER--PICK A COD--ANY COD!
HA!
HA!
AL-f-er--UNCLE GORDON!
OH!


UNCLE GORDON DON'T YOU FEEL LIKE A HUNK OF CHICKEN POT PIE?
WHY? DO I LOOK LIKE ONE? HA! I KILL ME!

PARDON MY REEEEEEE EGAD!
bzzzt
crackle
hmmmmmmmmmm

WOW!
THAT WAS GREAT! YOUR HAND TURNED INTO A LITTLE FUZZY PAW!
DO THAT ONE AGAIN, UNCLE GORDON!
ZAP!

UHH..NOT JUST NOW, KIDS! I--er--NEED UNCLE GORDON'S HELP IN THE KITCHEN!
WHY? DID YOU LOSE MY RECIPE FOR CATERPILLAR CAKE?


JUST-GIVE-ME-A-HAND!
OWOWOWOW! ANATOMY, KATE! THAT'S AN EAR!
WAIT FOR ME!
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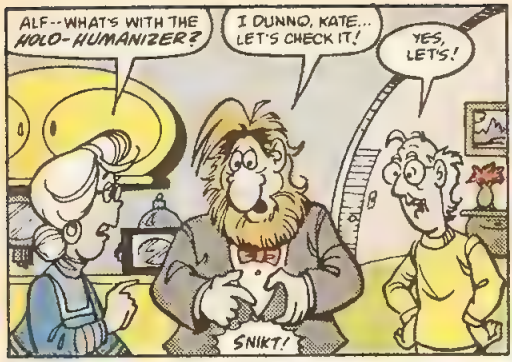
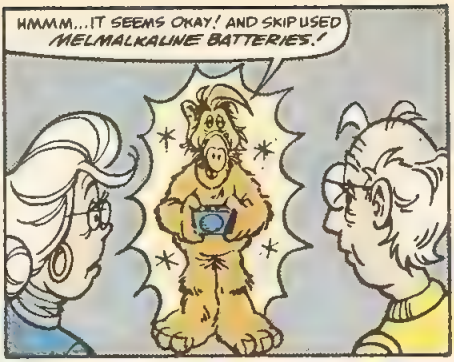
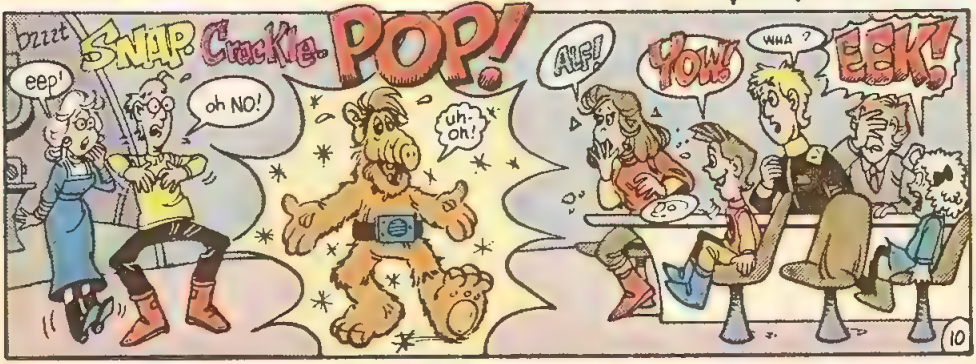

ALF--WHAT'S WITH THE HOLO-HUMANIZER?
I DUNNO, KATE... LET'S CHECK IT!
YES, LET'S!
SNIKT!


HMMM...IT SEEMS OKAY! AND SKIP USED MELMALKALINE BATTERIES.!

IT WAS PROBABLY A SOLAR FLARE OR SOMETHING. I'M SURE IT'LL BE FINE!
WELL, I'M NOT SURE!
NEITHER AM I!
SNIKT!

OH, COME ON, KAY AND DOUBLE ?!! IT'LL BE OKAY! I'LL STAKE MY REPUTATION ON IT!
HOW REASSURING!
WELL, I SUPPOSE!

GREAT! HEY, GANG--GUESS WHO'S BACK?!


brzzt
SNIP
Crackle
POP!
eep!
oh NO!
uh-oh!
ALF!
YOW!
WHA ?
ECK!
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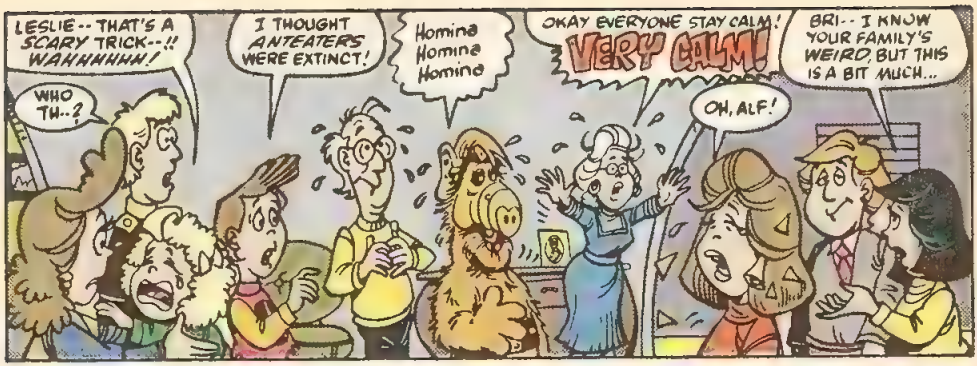
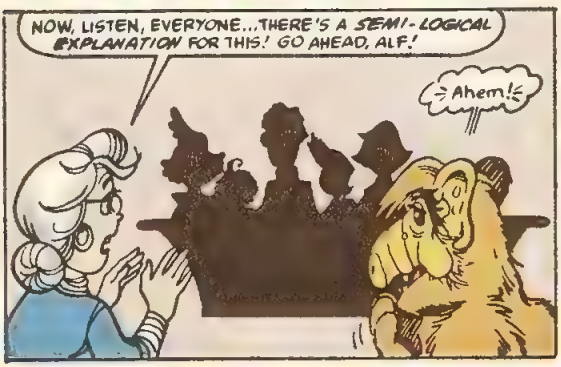
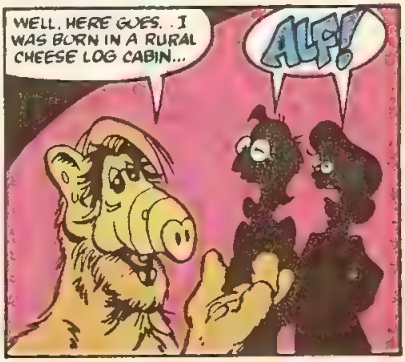
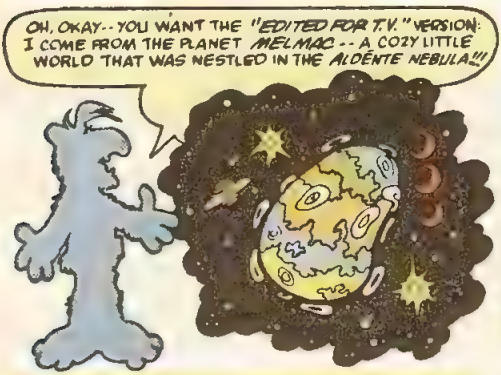
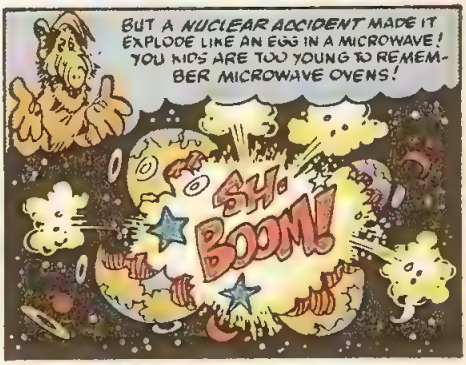
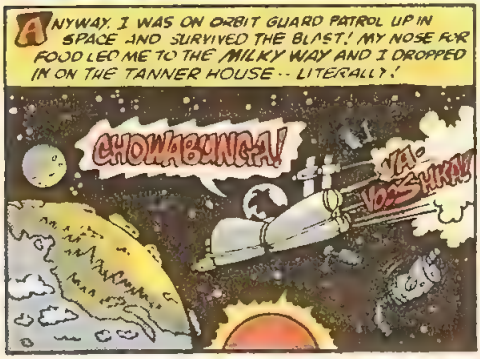

LESLIE -- THAT'S A SCARY TRICK--!! WAHHHHH!
WHO TH..?
I THOUGHT ANTEATERS WERE EXTINCT!
Homina Homina Homina
OKAY EVERYONE STAY CALM! VERY CALM!
OH, ALF!
BRI-- I KNOW YOUR FAMILY'S WEIRD, BUT THIS IS A BIT MUCH...


NOW, LISTEN, EVERYONE...THERE'S A SEMI-LOGICAL EXPLANATION FOR THIS! GO AHEAD, ALF!
Ahem!


WELL, HERE GOES. I WAS BORN IN A RURAL CHEESE LOG CABIN...
ALF!


OH, OKAY-- YOU WANT THE "EDITED FOR T.V." VERSION: I COME FROM THE PLANET MELMAC -- A COZY LITTLE WORLD THAT WAS NESTLED IN THE ALDENTE NEBULA!!!


BUT A NUCLEAR ACCIDENT MADE IT EXPLODE LIKE AN EGG IN A MICROWAVE! YOU KIDS ARE TOO YOUNG TO REMEMBER MICROWAVE OVENS!
SH-BOOM!


ANYWAY, I WAS ON ORBIT GUARD PATROL UP IN SPACE AND SURVIVED THE BLAST! MY NOSE FOR FOOD LED ME TO THE MILKY WAY AND I DROPPED IN ON THE TANNER HOUSE -- LITERALLY!
CHOWABUNGA!
YA-YO-SHIKA!

FOR OVER 30 YEARS, THEY'VE KEPT ME A SECRET! -Sniffle- BUT NOW, I'VE BLOWN MY COVER AND I GUESS I'LL HAVE TO -Snoooork- LEAVE FOREVER!
SOB!
CHOKE!
BUT WHY?

UNCLE GORDON'S NO WEIRDER THAN THE EXCHANGE STUDENTS FROM *INNER ANTARCTICA* AT MY HIGH SCHOOL!

OR MY INSTRUCTORS AT SUMMER CAMP ON *MARS*!

AND YOU'RE *CUTE* AND *SOFT* AND *FUZZY*-- LIKE MY *ROBO-PANDA BEAR*! PLEASE STAY!

HONK!

COME VISIT US, TOO! I'LL SET EXTRA PLACES AT THE TABLE!

G-G-GOSH! SO YOU MEAN ACCEPTING ME INTO THE FAMILY IS...

NO PROBLEM!

AND SO, WE LIVED HAPPILY EVER AFTER... AFTER I FINISHED THE CHICKEN POT PIE, THAT IS...

URP!

"BRAVO" - *Times*

"A HIT" - *Daily News*

"UPLIFTING" - *USA Today*

"ELVIS LIVES" - *Enquirer*

THE END

FLY HOME SAFELY

SO WOTTAYA THINK, TANNER TRIO? DID YOU ENJOY OUR 21st CENTURY SOIRÉE?

Uh. Uhhhhh....

Ah. ah... ahh..

Ummmm...

WINK!

DON'T WORRY--THEY'LL BE OKAY! THEY'VE JUST GOT A MILD CASE OF...

FUTURE SHOCK!

HA!

The End

...OR THE *Beginning*?

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ALF IN SO LONG, OLD PAINT!

HELP ME, LYNN!!

GALLAGHER/ MANAKI SEVERIN

OH MY GOSH! YOU POOR THING! WHAT HAPPENED? WHAT SHOULD I DO?

DADDY!

EASY KIDDO. YOU'LL GET *RED PAINT* ALL OVER YOURSELF!

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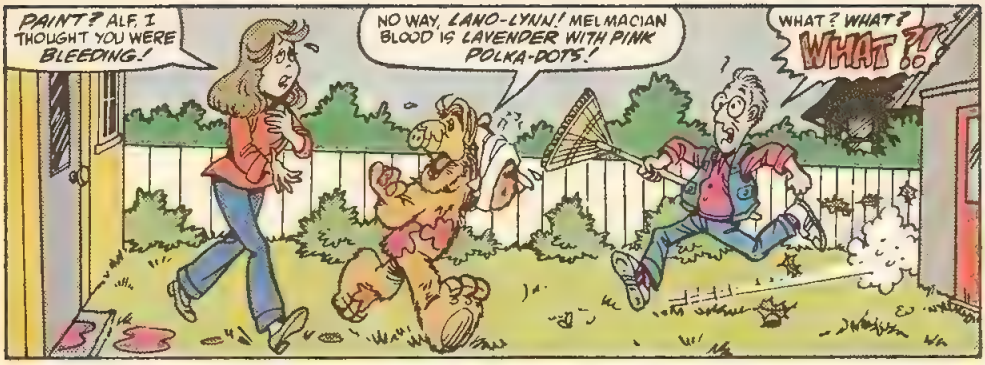
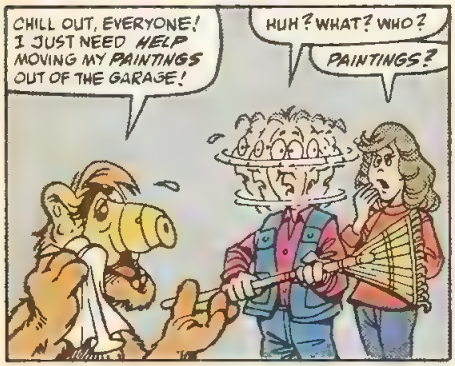
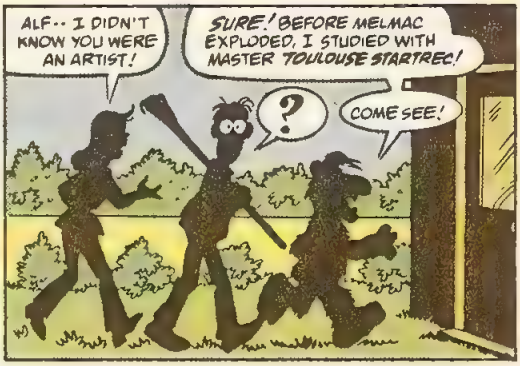
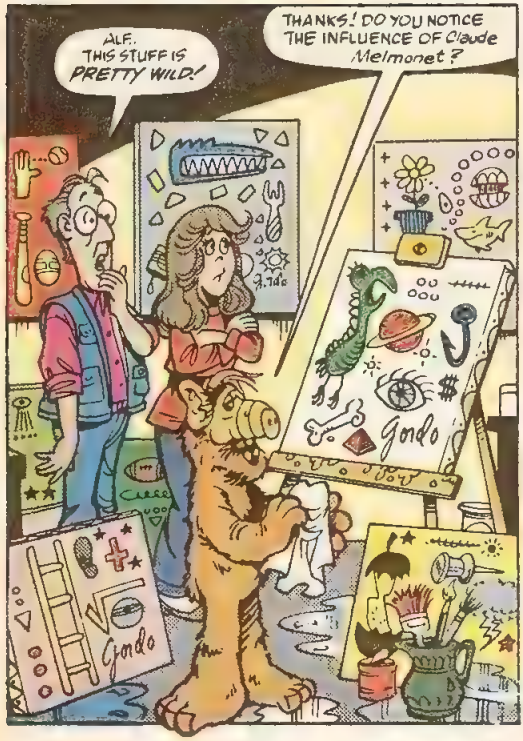
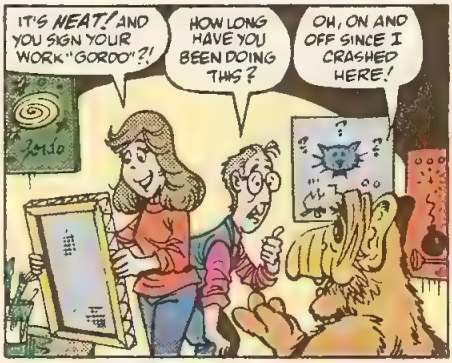
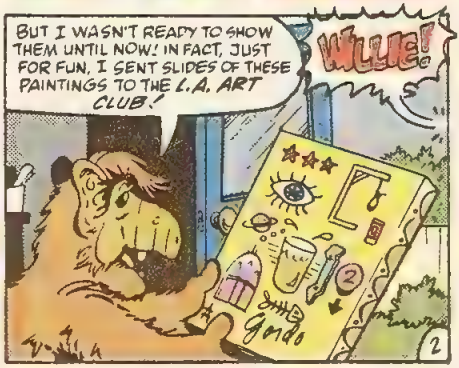

PAINT? ALF, I THOUGHT YOU WERE BLEEDING!
NO WAY, LANO-LYNN! MELMACIAN BLOOD IS LAVENDER WITH PINK POLKA-DOTS!
WHAT? WHAT? WHAT?!


CHILL OUT, EVERYONE! I JUST NEED HELP MOVING MY PAINTINGS OUT OF THE GARAGE!
HUH? WHAT? WHO?
PAINTINGS?


ALF-- I DIDN'T KNOW YOU WERE AN ARTIST!
SURE! BEFORE MELMAC EXPLODED, I STUDIED WITH MASTER TOULOUSE STARTREC!
?
COME SEE!


ALF. THIS STUFF IS PRETTY WILD!
THANKS! DO YOU NOTICE THE INFLUENCE OF Claude Melmonet?
Gondo
Gondo


IT'S NEAT! AND YOU SIGN YOUR WORK "GORDO"?!
HOW LONG HAVE YOU BEEN DOING THIS?
OH, ON AND OFF SINCE I CRASHED HERE!
Gondo


BUT I WASN'T READY TO SHOW THEM UNTIL NOW! IN FACT, JUST FOR FUN, I SENT SLIDES OF THESE PAINTINGS TO THE L.A. ART CLUB!
WILLIE!
Gondo
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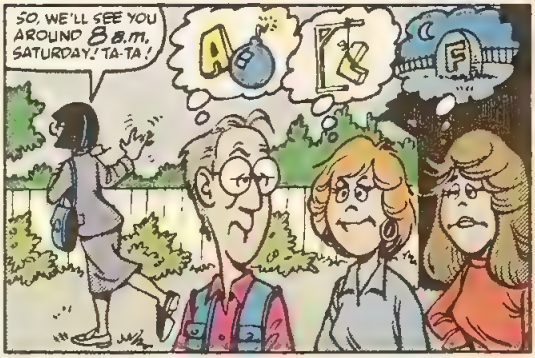
HONEY-- THIS IS MS. RAY WOOD, FROM THE L.A. ART CLUB! SHE'S HERE TO SEE... UMMM...
GORDO!
THAT'S ME... OOOME!
UH... RIGHT! TH-THAT'S ME!

HOW DO YOU DO, GORDO? YOUR PSEUDONYM IS ALMOST AS INTERESTING AS YOUR PAINTINGS!
TH-THANKS!
?

YOU'LL BE HAPPY TO KNOW THAT WE'VE DECIDED TO LET YOU EXHIBIT YOUR WORK AT NEXT SATURDAY'S "ART IN THE PARK FESTIVAL"!
wspr bzzz hmm wsh wsh hssst!

Errr... I'D LOVE TO BUT I... I CAN'T!
OH, BUT YOU MUST! THE ENTRY FORM YOU SUBMITTED WITH YOUR SLIDES LEGALLY BINDS YOU!
Gordo


SO, WE'LL SEE YOU AROUND 8 P.M. SATURDAY! TA-TA!
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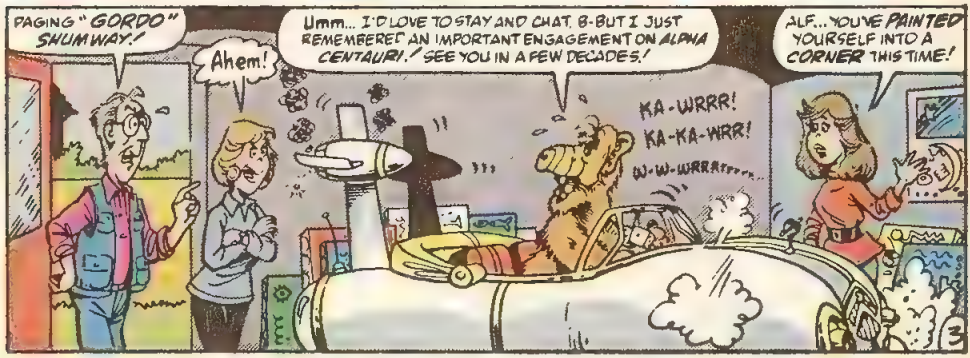
PAGING "GORDO" SHUMWAY!
Ahem!
Umm... I'D LOVE TO STAY AND CHAT, B-BUT I JUST REMEMBERED AN IMPORTANT ENGAGEMENT ON ALPHA CENTAURI! SEE YOU IN A FEW DECADES!
KA-WRRR!
KA-KA-WRR!
W-W-WRRRR!
ALF... YOU'VE PAINTED YOURSELF INTO A CORNER THIS TIME!

AND SO, THE FOLLOWING SATURDAY, WHILE WILLIE MASQUERADES AS "GORDO THE ARTIST"!...

HOW'S IT GOING, ALF? ALMOST DONE?...

BRIAN?!

CHECK IT OUT, MOM! ALF'S LETTING ME PAINT THE ROOM! AND ALL I HAD TO GIVE HIM WAS MY STEVE DITKO "SPIDER-MANS"!

ALF, HOW DARE YOU! THIS IS YOUR PENANCE FOR CREATING TODAY'S "GORDO FIASCO"!

COOL OFF, KATE! I'M GIVING THE LAD A LESSON IN LITERATURE!!

RIGHT OUT OF MELMARK TWAIN'S GREAT NOVEL, "TOM'S LAWYER!"

YOU SEE, AUNT POLYUNSATURATE TELLS TOM TO GO PICKET THE FENCE COMPANY, BUT...

STOP!

OOP! SORRY, FOLKS.. NO "MELMAC FLASHBACK" THIS TIME!

NOW I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU A LESSON... STRAIGHT OUT OF "CRIME AND PUNISHMENT"!

HELLO?... ANYBODY HOME?

HE'S BACK!

HONEY!

DADDY!

HONEY!

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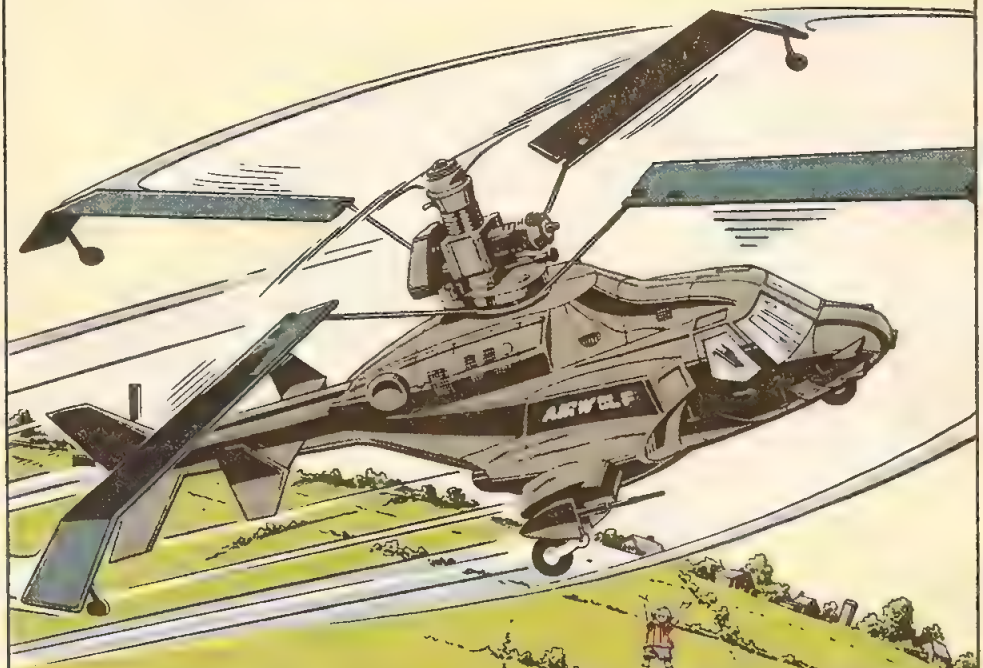

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YOU GOT A RIBBON? HOW EXCITING!
AS WE "GORDO'S" SAY NO PROBLEM! I-- er-- WE WON BEST NEWCOMER IN SHOW!
BOSS!
WAY TO GO, WILL D. BEAST! SO, IT ALL WENT AS SMOOTH AS TOAD PUDDING, eh?

WELL, THERE WAS A PESKY REPORTER WHO WANTED AN INTERVIEW, BUT I GAVE HIM THE SLIP...!
YOU WORE A SLIP? THE BERET WAS MORE THAN ENOUGH!
HA!

A REPORTER? OH, DEAR! WE DON'T NEED ANY PRESS COVERAGE AROUND HERE, WILLIE!
I KNOW! THAT'S WHY I LOST HIM!
READ WHAT MY MEDAL SAYS! "COURAGE"!

WHAT PAPER WAS HE FROM?
The L.A. Sentinel! "ALL THE NEWS WE SEE FIT TO PRINT!"
OPEN UP!
KNOCK KNOCK KNOCK

ALF! BRIAN!
GRAB THOSE PAINTINGS AND SCRAM!
YO! GORDO!
MMM... AS IN "SCRAM"-bled EGGS?
C'MON!
BAM BAM

NOW, SEE HERE.
NOW SEE STARS! SMILE!
FLASH

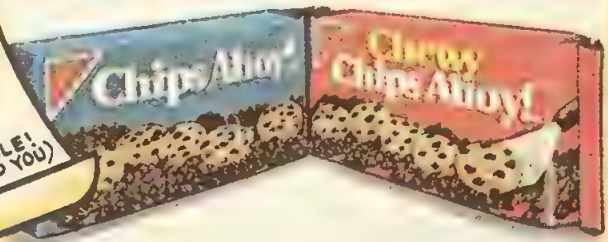
COME IN? DON'T MIND IF I DO! HIYA, TOOTS!
HMPH!

BETCHA BITE A CHIP with Chips Ahoy!

THERE ARE SO MANY CHOCOLATE CHIPS IN A CHIPS AHOY! COOKIE, IT'S IMPOSSIBLE TO BITE A COOKIE WITHOUT BITING A CHIP. SEE IF YOU CAN "EAT" YOUR WAY THROUGH THIS MAZE, "BITING" INTO AS FEW CHIPS AS POSSIBLE.

BETCHA BITE A CHIP SCALE

5 OR MORE - YOU BIT A MOUTHFUL (TRY AGAIN)
4 CHIPS — CHOCOLATE MUNCHER
3 CHIPS — NOT A BAD BIT O' BITING, BUDDY
2 CHIPS — CHOOSY CHEWER
1 CHIP — CHIP SKIPPER
0 CHIPS — IMPOSSIBLE! (WE TOLD YOU)



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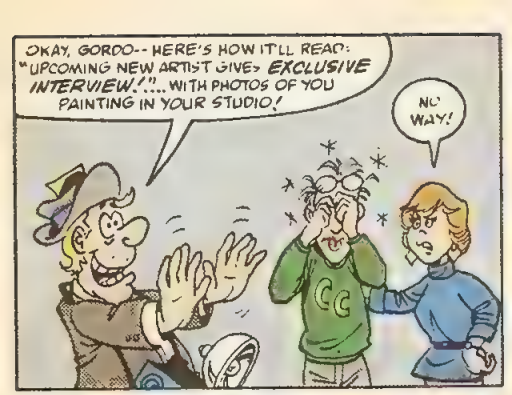
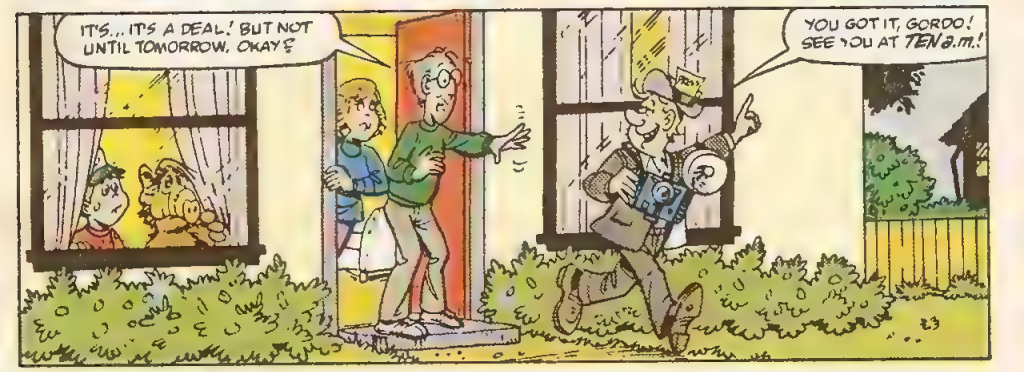
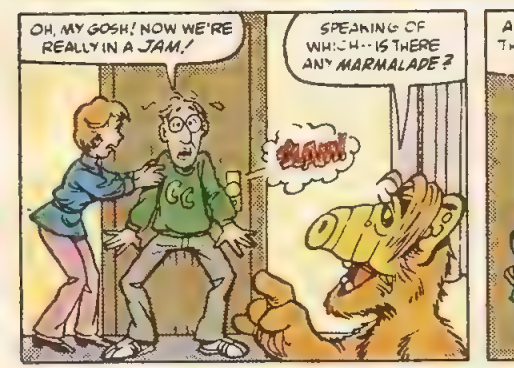
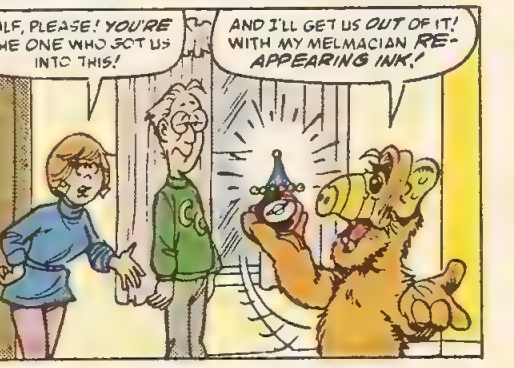

OKAY, GORDO-- HERE'S HOW IT'LL READ: "UPCOMING NEW ARTIST GIVES EXCLUSIVE INTERVIEW!"... WITH PHOTOS OF YOU PAINTING IN YOUR STUDIO!
NO WAY!

OKAY, TOOTS... THEN I'LL GO WITH WHAT I'VE GOT "WHAT SECRET DOES RECLUSIVE ARTIST HAVE TO HIDE?" THAT OUGHT TO BRING THE PRESS CORPS HERE!
NO
WAIT!
PRESS


IT'S... IT'S A DEAL! BUT NOT UNTIL TOMORROW, OKAY?
YOU GOT IT, GORDO! SEE YOU AT TEN a.m.!


OH, MY GOSH! NOW WE'RE REALLY IN A JAM!
SPEAKING OF WHICH-- IS THERE ANY MARMALADE?
SLAPPY!


ALF, PLEASE! YOU'RE THE ONE WHO GOT US INTO THIS!
AND I'LL GET US OUT OF IT! WITH MY MELMACIAN RE-APPEARING INK!

BUT, ALF... I CAN'T DRAW!
YOU WON'T HAVE TO! I WILL -- WITH THIS! IT GOES ON INVISIBLE! THEN TOMORROW, ALL YOU DO IS "PAINT-O-MIME" AROUND THE CANVAS DURING THE INTERVIEW AND THE IMAGE WILL APPEAR!
HMMM. IT JUST MIGHT WORK!
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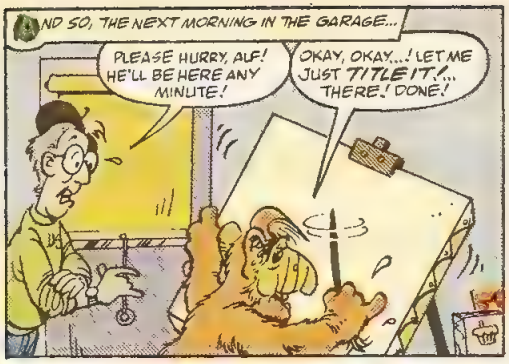
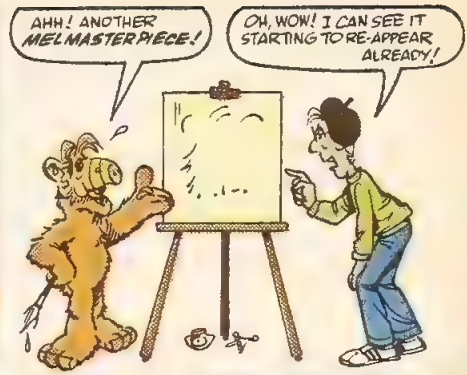
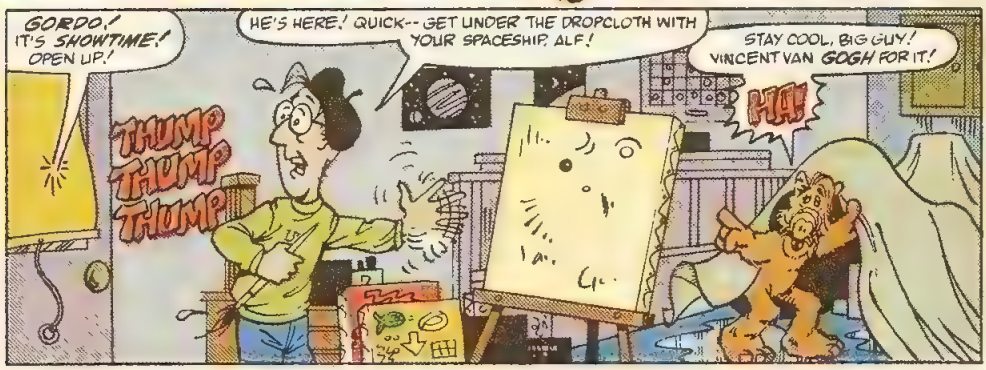
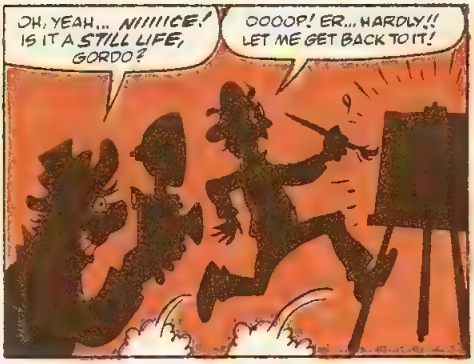
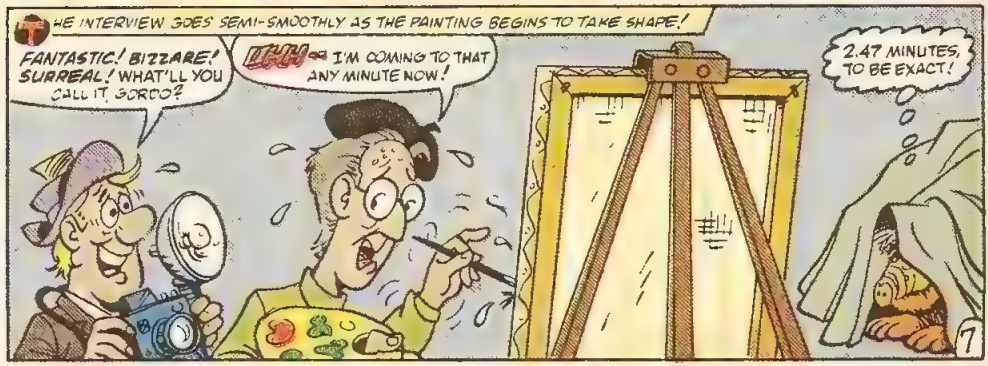

AND SO, THE NEXT MORNING IN THE GARAGE...
PLEASE HURRY, ALF! HE'LL BE HERE ANY MINUTE!
OKAY, OKAY...! LET ME JUST TITLE IT...! ... THERE! DONE!


AHH! ANOTHER MELMASTERPIECE!
OH, WOW! I CAN SEE IT STARTING TO RE-APPEAR ALREADY!


GORDO! IT'S SHOWTIME! OPEN UP!
HE'S HERE! QUICK-- GET UNDER THE DROPCLOTH WITH YOUR SPACESHIP, ALF!
STAY COOL, BIG GUY! VINCENT VAN GOGH FOR IT!
THUMP THUMP THUMP
HA!

HEY, FELLA! WHAT'S ALL THE LAUGHING ABOUT?
OH... JUST CHUCKLING OVER MY LATEST PIECE!


OH, YEAH... NIIIICE! IS IT A STILL LIFE, GORDO?
OOOOP! ER... HARDLY!! LET ME GET BACK TO IT!


THE INTERVIEW GOES SEMI-SMOOTHLY AS THE PAINTING BEGINS TO TAKE SHAPE!
FANTASTIC! BIZZARE! SURREAL! WHAT'LL YOU CALL IT, GORDO?
I'M COMING TO THAT ANY MINUTE NOW!
2.47 MINUTES, TO BE EXACT!
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FIVE MINUTES LATER...
THANKS FOR YOUR TIME, GORDO... SO LONG!
ALL DONE?
YOU BET! NOW I JUST HOPE MY EDITOR DOESN'T BURY THE STORY IN THE CLASSIFIED SECTION LIKE HE DOES WITH MOST OF MY STUFF?
WOULDN'T THAT BE A SHAME?
AFTER HE SEES THAT GOOFY "SELF-PORTRAIT" GORDO PAINTED, HE'LL PROBABLY "CAN" THE WHOLE THING! ADIOS!
?
SELF POR... Oh, my..
AW, COME ON, WILLIE! IT'S A COLLECTOR'S ITEM!
"ME MYSELF AND EYE" by Gordo
ALF-- THE ONLY THING THIS WILL COLLECT IS DUST IN THE CELLAR!
OH, WELL... DIFFERENT BRUSH STROKES FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS!
HA!
ONE THING WE CAN ALL AGREE ON... ALF'S PAINTING CAREER IS OVER, RIGHT, GORDO?
YOU GOT THAT RIGHT, K-TELL!
NOW I'M INTO SCULPTURE! CAN YOU SEE HOW I WAS INSPIRED BY THE WORK OF Henry Melmoore.
ALF... WHATEVER YOU DO, YOU SURE PUT YOUR ART INTO IT!
THE END
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Star Signals

Meet Super-Star: TONY FRANCO

Writer on: FLINTSTONE KIDS.
Marvel freelance credits (past): Penciler on HEATHCLIFF, Writer on HUGGA BUNCH, POPPLES, and FOOFUR.
My hobbies are: Collecting Comics, Movies, especially Horror and Comedy, Reading, Collecting Caps (Hats, not Bottle).
The single work of which I am most proud is: Always the next assignment.
My pet peeves are: Pretentiousness and apathy.
My place of birth is: Union City, New Jersey.
My greatest accomplishment outside the comics field is: Receiving my Master's degree in Criminal Justice at John Jay.
My oddest habit is: The ability to put peanut butter and jelly on almost anything edible.
If they were making a movie of my life, I'd like to see my part played by: Michael J. Fox, Dudley Moore, or Mickey Mouse.
The reason I got into comics was: To communicate with people.
People who knew me in High School thought I was: The cartoonist of the class.
My favorite performers are: The Three Stooges, Laurel and Hardy, Abbott and Costello.
The last good book I read was: The Honeymooner's Companion.
The last good movie I saw was: Who Framed Roger Rabbit.
The biggest influences on my work include: Jack Kirby, Walt Kelly, Milt Caniff, Al Capp, Walt Disney, Chuck Jones, and Tex Avery
My greatest unfulfilled ambition in the comics field is: To develop my own characters.
The worst part of my job is: Trying to fit in a 36 hour day.
When nobody's looking I like to: Relax.
The one thing I really want the world to know about me is: I care.

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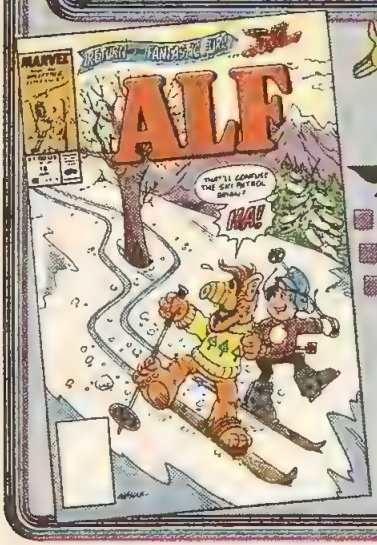

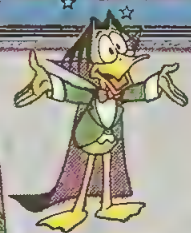

- HEATHCLIFF #34, #35
- MUPPET BABIES #26
- COUNT DUCKULA #5
- ALF #16, #17

ALF in ACADEMY REWARD!

HMF! SCHOOL IS TOO HARD! THEY WANT US TO DO SO MUCH HOMEWORK!

SLAM!

HA!

YOU THINK YOU'VE GOT IT TOUGH, BRIAN? YOU SHOULD HEAR WHAT I WENT THROUGH DURING BASIC TRAINING AT THE ORBIT GUARD ACADEMY!

GALLAGHER/MANAN/SEVERIN

IT WAS LOCATED IN THE HEART OF MELMAC'S CITRUS COUNTRY! WE RECRUITS CALLED IT.... FRUIT CAMP!

♪ HEY, MR TANGERINE MAN... ♪

SERGEANT STAFF WAS THERE TO WELCOME US.

YA LOOK LIKE A SWARM OF YELLOW-BELLIED SLUDGE-MAGGOTS THAT CRAWLED OUT OF A STAGNANT POOL OF SLIME!

SOUNDS TASTY! WHEN'S LUNCH?

NEW RECRUITS

WHAT REMARK GOT ME KP IN THE NEXT 6 WEEKS I PEELED ENOUGH FRUIT TO SINK THE CARNIVAL CRUISE FLEET!

IF I NEVER SEE ANOTHER MELMANDARIN ORANGE AGAIN, IT'LL BE TOO SOON!

© Kitchen Police
LT Col. Editor

AND IT GOT WORSE! LONG DAYS OF EXERCISE!

LET'S MOVE IT, SHUMWAY! DON'T YOU KNOW HOW TO RUN THIS POPSICLE COURSE YET?

HUFF PUFF

Y-YESSIR!

BUT THE TOUGHEST TEST OF ALL CAME WHEN I HAD TO CLIMB ABOARD THE FLIGHT SIMULATOR!

C'MON! BE A MAN!

OH, P-P-PLEASE, SARGE! I-I-I JUST ATE!

MUST BE 136' Monty-meat

TILT-A-WHIRL

STEP RIGHT UP!

STARTED CATCHING ON! I EXCELLED IN THE SELF-DEFENSE COURSE: I = SOO - YOU!

SHUMWAY.. FROM HERE, I CAN TWIST YOUR ANKLE DISLOCATE YOUR SHOULDER AND GIVE YOU A FAT NOSE! HOW DO YOU RESPOND TO THAT?

BY TAKING YOU TO COURT AND FILING A LAWSUIT, SEEKING COMPENSATORY DAMAGES AND FINANCIAL RESTITUTION, SIR!

NOT BAD, KID!

BUT IT WAS TOUGH! THE UPPER CLASSMEN WERE BULLIES!

OKAY, PUNK! DROP AND GIVE ME 20!

NO PROBLEM! UHHH... GOT CHANGE FOR A FORTY?

HOP!

STILL, I MADE IT! AND MOVED ON TO MY CHOSEN FIELD!

GUIDANCE COUNSELOR

SHUMWAY? AH, YES! YOUR TEST SCORES INDICATE A CAREER AS A LATRINE MAINTENANCE ENGINEER!

OH, BOY!

...NOW THAT'S A WHOLE OTHER STORY...! YOU WANNA SEE A SCHOOL OF HARD KNOCKS? WE CALLED OUR PLATOON "THE DIRTY BAKER'S DOZEN!"

CHARGE!

ALF! ARE YOU KEEPING BRIAN FROM DOING HIS HOMEWORK?

Enough!

gulp!

too much!

gosh!

gee!

HOMEWORK?! THANKS FOR REMINDING ME MOM! I CAN'T WAIT TO GET TO IT! YES SIREEE!

ZOOM

NOW THERE GOES A BOY WITH A HUNGER FOR EDUCATION! A REAL THIRST FOR KNOWLEDGE!

YOU'RE TALKING MY LANGUAGE, K.P.K.T.!

Shlurp!

The End 2

MELMAC MAIL SACK

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Dear ALF,

I watch your show and cartoon every week. And I've got all your comics. And your comics are the very best!

I've got a question. How do you get Willie and Kate to put up with you?

Scott Morton
Columbia, TN

It must be due to Alf's charm. After all, he is friendly, charming, cute, smart, fun, witty, generous, sympathetic, nice, delightful, big-hearted... and he's also a *great* conversationalist. Really. He told us so himself.

Dear ALF,

I'm a twelve-year-old Earthling Boy, and I have a small "problem." I can't get enough ALF. I have all of your comics except #2. I'm heart-broken, I can't find #2 anywhere!! Please help!

I live in Windsor, Connecticut, and where I live there are about twenty stray cats (I could pay in food).

Ito Pizarro
Windsor, CT

Yes, Ito, you do have a problem. But better this than acne--after all, we can clear up your ALF problem right away. First, order an ALF subscription. (Cats rarely go happily into the mail box, so sending a check is still your best choice.)

Next, get back issues of ALF (or any other comic) by writing to one of the comic mail order companies that advertise in most of the regular Marvel comics. And hurry--broken hearts are so messy.

Dear ALF,

I'm a big fan of yours. I collect almost everything that has you on it, like: a beach towel, a cap, a doll, a computer game, a trash can, a tray, a finger puppet, ALF cards of your TV series, buttons, notepads, shirts, cups, plates, napkins, talking ALF tapes, posters, bookmarkers, tapings of both your TV series, and, of course, your comic books.

At school, my nickname is ALF. It's a long story how I got it. My friends call me Alf, and even students I don't know all know I'm called Alf.

By the way, how do you cook kitty fillets? I know someone who has lots of cats around the house.

Brian "ALF" Pruitt
Henderson, KY

Or, Brian, is it possible that your total devotion to Alf has led you astray? Since you've admitted everything, we will overlook it, but perhaps you can still benefit from some words of advice regarding the kitty fillets.

Alf has learned (as you should, too) that when on Earth, do as the Earthlings do. The custom of keeping domesticated felines must be respected--at least among people you want to keep friendly. So try not to drool on the tabbies. But do explain to your friends.

And if they *really* want to know what it's like, tell them to try petting a potato chip.

Dear ALF,

I have every single ALF comic, including ALF ANNUAL #1 and the ALF HOLIDAY SPECIAL.

I think there should be an issue where Alf goes back in time and gets married to Rhonda's sister Rhoda.

Well, guess I better get going...

Barbra Woytyshyn
Toledo, OH

You bet your bottom wernick you better get going! When Rhonda hears about *this* idea, we just *hope* you're over the border and running...

Yo ALF and Star,

I am probably one of your biggest fans. I have read almost all of your comic books.

Who was your weirdest ancestor? One of my favorite comics was when your PC-106 got out of control ["Role of the Dice," #13].

Derek J. Miller
Cassoplis, MI

Weirdest ancestor, hm? That's really just a matter of opinion, Derek. For example, Alf doesn't think *any* of his ancestors were weird. They're perfectly normal, by Melmacian standards. Or, at least, just interesting folks.

(And about all these *big* fans who keep writing in?? Why don't you guys just go on a diet, already!)

Dear ALF,

I love your comic series! I have all of them so far. You printed my sister's letter last issue, #13. I was hoping you'd print my letter. I hope your series will continue to publish them.

Jared Hints
Bismarck, ND

So there's a little sibling rivalry at work in North Dakota, eh? We'll help you out this issue, Jared, but usually we only publish a letter once.

Dear Alfmeister,

About your last letter column... why in the universe would anyone want to be a Trevor?? That obnoxious, cigar-chomping baboon has all the wit of a French fry, and all the subtlety of a photon torpedo! He's a disgrace to his species and his planet!

Dr. Who on Melmac? YES! YES!! YES!!! Puh-LEEZE tell us what happened! (I bet that when he left, there was a boom in the sales of jelly kittens! HA!!)

Of all the stories in your holiday special, though, I liked the art in "Alf Lang Syne" best. Kate never looked better. Same with Lynn. A little pointer, however: Klingons don't have green skin or pointed ears. Also, the uniform was wrong. You seem to have the Klingons confused with the Skrulls.

A final comment here: I'd like to see more stories starring Rhonda. Now, *there* is one cute little cat-chomper.

Don Lewis
Fortuna, CA

All points taken, Don. Whew! It'd be tough to add any words of wisdom to that comprehensive letter! So we won't...

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3.
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